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Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Deregulation of television and radio station ownership.

Dear Commissioner Abernathy,

I understand the FCC is considering the removal of the remaining restrictions regarding the number of stations owned in any given coverage area. I also understand that prior to 1996, station ownership was restricted to one owner per coverage area.

The partial removal of restrictions in 1996 has seen the consolidation of radio and television station ownership to just a few large conglomerates. I think this is driven by profit margins and is leading to the degradation of the quality of local content and diversity of all news coverage.

An informed populace is necessary for the functioning of a democracy. Restricting that flow of information by consolidation will hurt us in the long run. Please don't let this happen and I request that you consider opposing any moves to further deregulate the ownership of radio and television stations.

I have no connection to the broadcast media, but have for years been increasingly concerned about the declining quality of news coverage. I believe if the current trend continues, the situation will get only worse. Please remember these stations operate at the behest of the government, that the airwaves are public and not private property.

Thank you for your time,

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Chairman Michael Powell Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554 Confirmed

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Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you to oppose further consolidation of radio and television stations in the United States.

The tremendous consolidation of media outlets that followed the Telecommunications Act of 1996 has brought us to a dangerous point. Further consolidation will hamper free expression of local tastes, local interests, local concerns, and local issues. Whether these expression opportunities are being used wisely or robustly is not the issue. The issue is that the opportunity must stay available at the local community level. Obliterating that opportunity will diminish and deaden the community. Once local opportunity is lost it will be extremely difficult if not impossible to regain.

Consolidation is being done only in the name of aggregating mass audiences for mass advertisers. Beyond making the media owners and shareholders wealthier, what is the social benefit? The airwaves are public and must generate public benefit.

Our government is based on local, state, and federal jurisdictions. This system insures that local interests are respected and have a voice in higher, consolidated levels of governing. It might be a better use of tax money to consolidate government: merge adjoining suburbs and towns into a larger unit; merge adjoining state government offices into a regional authority. Is the Indiana BMV that much different than Ohio's? But we don't do that. We live with the inefficiency because the value of local representation is a greater good than simple business efficiency.

We must continue to insure that free expression at the local level has a media voice and platform. Please use your influence and vote to prevent any further consolidation within the broadcasting industry.

Sincerely,

Edward T. Neal

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LEAR COMMISSIONER POWELLSFCC-MAILRON

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The Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner Federal Communications, Commission 445-Twelfth St. SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Copps:

I recently read a short article in the American Free Press that indicated you are opposed to the media giants obtaining monopoly power over all media forms. As a Christian Physician doing alternative and complementary medicine I know how the monopolistic medical establishment desires to have control of all forms of healing not for the benefit of the people but for themselves. If the media giants control all, then certainly decent family entertainment will be a thing of the past.

Please continue your efforts and our church's prayer team will support you specifically. We already pray for government leaders as Romans 13 requires.

Sincerely yours,

Brian E. Briggs, MD

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April 3, 2003

The Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth St. SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Copps:

About two years ago two service men from the local Xcel Energy division (based in Minneapolis) came to our home and did some work on our energy meter on the north side of our house. They then left a brochure with us stating that they had improved our service by connecting us to an automated meter reading. Nowhere in the brochure was there any mention of a transmitter having been inserted into the existing meter.

Over the next year we were to find out that something was disturbing our emotional well being – my wife suffered severe depression with thoughts of suicide. We both lost 18 pounds that year for no known medical reason. Because of our 25-year experience in environmental medicine, we began to do a serious program of testing (through muscle strengths) all of our drinks, food, clothing, soaps, appliances, etc. Before long we realized that the worst place for us was the north end of our house: kitchen, dining room, and my office-den.

Then we heard about the transmitter that had been placed on our house (and every other house in Minot). A call to the Customer Service Department of Xcell Energy assured me that there could be no injury to any person more than six (6) inches away from the transmitter. Since we already knew that such statements in regard to other appliances were made by reference to measuring devices and not people, I began to submit further calls and letters of complaint. As a result the local service men returned to our home and moved the meter out to a pole by the street. They were dubious, but we know that our emotional problems cleared afterwards and our weight loss has ended. With the transmitter on a pole, we can now measure its effects on people. My gausmeter indicates that the influence is lost at about six feet, not six inches. Furthermore, when we and many of our patients are tested in the area of the meter, we (including 2 electrical engineers, 1 electrical contractor, and one electrician) go "weak" 24-40 feet away. How I would like to demonstrate this to you or one of your representatives! The PSC in North Dakota believes that if the FCC has okayed these instruments for residential use, they have no part in it.

I believe these transmitters have created a public health problem when they are "on" all the time. We used to have our meter read once a month – now it is read hourly!

Michael J. Copps, Commissioner Federal Communications Commission April 3, 2003

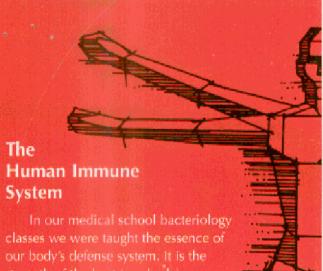
Why not have the transmitters "on" one day a month and read all the meters. I may be the only voice out there crying wolf, but that does not mean that I am wrong.

If you can, please help!

Sincerely,

Brian E. Briggs

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In our medical school bacteriology classes we were taught the essence of our body's defense system. It is the strength of the host (our body) against virulence (strength) of agent (virus, etc.). Therefore, all our knowledge about environmental factors is useless if our immune system is depleted. The integrity of our immune system is dependent upon what we eat and drink. Since our land has lost much of its vitality, we do the best we can in choosing the most nutritious food and then add vitamin and mineral supplements to fill in the gaps. This was the premise of Dr. Michael Golgan when he wrote his book *Your Own Personal Vitamin Profile*.

In our booklet *Get Well – Stay Well*, we discuss the hazards of processed and otherwise contaminated food and drinks, and then explain how to test them and treat them. Likewise, vitamins, minerals, etc. are not going to build healthy bodies and immune systems if we are sensitive to them.

Attitudes and Life

Much has been said and written about a positive attitude promoting life, but negative emotions such as anger, resentment, and bitterness will certainly bring sickness and death. In my personal and professional experience, I have found the Holy Bible to contain the most reliable and lasting answers for healing.

If you are seeking a way to obtain health, joy, and fulfillment, we believe you can find help in avoiding the hazards of living in this modern world by sending for our booklet, *Get Well – Stay Well*, and one or more medallions. For convenient ordering, we've included a preaddressed order envelope. (If the order envelope is missing, you can still order from the address below.)

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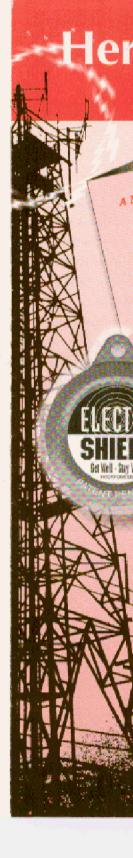
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The information in this pamphlet reflects the opinions of some scientists and physicians who have been observing and researching the effects of various environmental factors – chemicals, EMF's, and pathological organisms – on the health status of human beings. It is not intended to take the place of your regular doctor, but to complement his treatment.

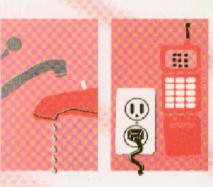
What about the Environment?

In 1978, a large group of scientists (chemists and physicists plus physicians) met in Houston to discuss the role of environmental factors in the disease cancer. Their primary conclusions were (1) that environmental factors cause over 90% of all cancers, and (2) that the mortality rate is steady and appears to be unaffected by treatment. That is why this approach is presented as a preventive method. It can be very helpful in treatment by way of protecting and enhancing the immune system.

Environmental Chemicals

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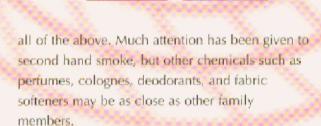
We would all like to think that all the harmful chemicals in our environment are "out there" and not in our particular space or person. The truth is, however, that toxic chemicals are all around us—in the air, the water, and the soil from which we get our food which then can become a source for











Some have said that every thing causes cancer, etc., so why worry? In this day we can't live with that attitude. Our booklet, *Get Well – Stay Well* addresses this situation in a way that will accomplish the desired goals without serious restrictions in life style. In regard to chemical sensitivities, cutting down on the offending substance rarely brings any benefit. The booklet presents a method for determining each person's sensitivities which can be removed.



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